

'TASK FOR FREE WORLD...'

SCONA VI Underway; 2nd Keynoter Speaks At 8

SCONA VI officially got underway Wednesday at 8 a. m. with the arrival and registration of the first group of student delegates, advisers and round-table co-chairmen.

The Sixth Student Conference on National Affairs is being held on the A&M Campus Dec. 7-10. This year the Conference will draw some 140 student conferees from 63 colleges and universities, representing The United States, Canada, and Mexico.

As keynote speakers, SCONA VI has invited five men, known throughout the world for their keen insight into the problems of the foreign and domestic policies of the United States.

To serve as round-table discussion co-chairmen, SCONA VI has selected 16 outstanding figures in areas of government, philosophy,

history, education, economics, and defense.

SCONA VI is not a little thing. From the humble beginnings of the first Student Conference on National Affairs back in 1957, SCONA has grown into a mammoth operation entailing hundreds of man-hours of work, and a budget of \$16,500.

The theme of SCONA VI is "The Tasks for the Free World: Problems and Opportunities in the 60's."

Four keynote addresses and five round-table discussion sessions will vitalize the theme for the student conferees.

The theme itself will be broken down into five discussion topics: "The Lesser Developed Lands," "The Communist Challenge—Free World Response," "World Disarmament—Ideals and Realities," "Mobilization of Knowledge and Resources," and "The Americas."

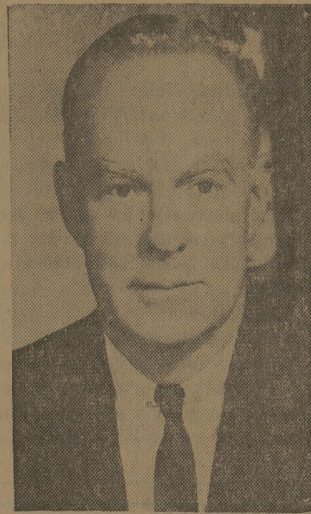
The purpose of the Conference—the speeches, the round-table discussions is not to try to solve the world's problems, but to give the SCONA VI delegate a better understanding of them.

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SCONA SCHEDULE

Wednesday, Dec. 7
4:15-5:15 p.m. First meeting of Round-Table discussion groups for orientation.
6:00-7:30 p.m.—Smorgasbord in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom.
8:00-10:00 p.m. Plenary Session—Second Keynote Address.
Aziz Ahmed, Ambassador from Pakistan to the United States will speak on "Lesser Developed Lands" in the MSC Ballroom.
A reception for all participants will follow the address in the MSC Assembly Room and Birch Room.

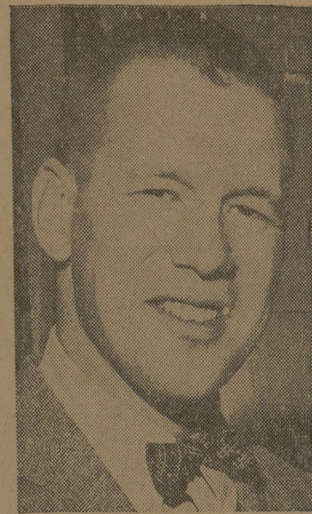
Thursday, Dec. 8
7:30-8:30 a.m. Coffee and informal discussion among speakers, delegates and chairmen in the Serpentine Lounge, second floor of the MSC.
8:30-11:45 a.m. Second Round-Table meetings.
12:15-1:15 p.m. Lunch at Duncan Dining Hall.
1:30-5:00 p.m. Third Round-Table Meetings.
6:30-7:30 p.m. Texas-style barbecue on the lawn of the MSC.
8:00-10:00 p.m. Plenary Session—Third Keynote Address.
Horace H. Smith, State Department Adviser to the War College of the Air University, will speak on "United States Foreign Policy in the Changing World" at Guion Hall.
A reception for all participants will follow the address in the MSC Assembly Room and Birch Room.



Dudley C. Sharp
... Secretary of the Air Force



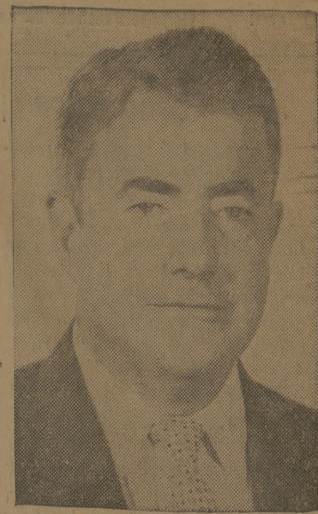
Thomas C. Mann
... Assistant Secretary of State



William P. Hobby
... Managing Editor, The Houston Post



Aziz Ahmed
... Pakistan Ambassador to The U.S.



Horace H. Smith
... State Department Advisor



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World Wrap-Up

By The Associated Press

Ike, Kennedy Talk Change-Over

WASHINGTON—President Eisenhower and his successor, Sen. John F. Kennedy, met man-to-man Tuesday to talk about the political changeover and to seal American unity behind the continued search for world peace.

The Republican President and the Democratic president-elect, chatting at a White House conference for more than three hours, laid aside the acrimony of a presidential campaign in which each had assailed the other's policies and proposals.

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Demos To Refuse GOP Demands

AUSTIN—Texas Democrats, were legally advised Tuesday to refuse Republican demands for a statewide recount of the Nov. 8 election.

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Segregation Boycott Grows Worse

NEW ORLEANS—The segregation boycott of William Frantz School grew steadily weaker Tuesday while women pickets reacted with tossed eggs and insults.

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France Decides To Pay Price

PARIS—France finally decided Tuesday to pay the full price for membership in the world's atomic club—an independent, exclusively national nuclear striking force.

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"Sleeping Beauties" Mother Convicted

CLEVELAND, Ohio—Petite, attractive Lillian Fratantoni, mother of this city's "sleeping beauties," was convicted Tuesday of mistreating the two little girls by secretly feeding them sleep-inducing drugs.

The girls received nationwide attention last summer when doctors puzzled over what sent them into deep comas.

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Kennedy Congress Opposition Will Not Drag

NEW YORK—Rep. Charles A. Halleck, (R-Ind.) House minority leader, said Tuesday night the congressional opposition to the Kennedy administration will not drag its feet just for the sake of opposition.

The Republicans, he said, will be cooperative but at the same time will guard against any attempt by the Democratic government to "take corners too fast."



CHS Senior Play Groves Corners Citizens
... Victor Barry, Jay Pruitt, Larry Maddox, Dave Garrison

Cadets Grab 2nd In Fort Hood Meet

The A&M Army ROTC .22 Caliber Rifle Team took second place in the Fourth U. S. Army Central Texas Conference Match Dec. 3 at Fort Hood.

Arlington State College won first with a score of 3,779 out of a possible 4,000. A&M totaled 3,723.

McCloud B. Hodges of Arlington, Va., was the A&M high point man with 387 points out of 400.

The Army ROTC Rifle Team will return to Fort Hood in mid-February to compete in the Fourth U. S. Army championship matches. A&M will compete in the match with the winning team from each of the five conferences that fired Dec. 3.

The conferences are Louisiana, Central Texas, South Texas, Oklahoma and the Western Conference.

A&M team members in the Dec. 3 match, in addition to Hodges, were Sterling C. Burke Jr., Craig S. Abbott and Joseph W. Straube of San Antonio, Gary L. Byrd and Robert L. Acklen Jr. of Dallas, James H. Elder of College Station, Franklin Loudermilk of Comanche, Nathan W. Pippin of Corpus Christi and Benjamin R. Matula of Sinton.

Team coaches are Capt. William D. Old and M-Sgt. Coy E. McCollum.

Frosh Choose Class Officers

Runoff To Decide Eventual Winners

Freshmen went to the polls today to select their class officers and representatives to the Student Senate and Election Commission. Final tabulations of the election are expected to be finished early tonight.

There were about 100 frosh trying for the 13 open posts. There are four class officer positions, four Student Senate openings and five spots on the Election Commission.

Class officer positions are president, vice president, secretary and social secretary. One freshman from each of the four academic schools will be chosen to the Student Senate.

A grade point ratio of 1.00 is required for eligibility for a class officer or an Election Commission slot. Student Senate hopefuls must have at least a 1.5.

Voting took place from 8 a. m. -5:30 p. m. today. The voting machines were located in the corridor between the Fountain Room and the bowling alley in the Memorial Student Center.

Runoffs Stated
Winners of the four hotly contested class officer positions will not be definitely decided until next Thursday, Dec. 15, when the runoffs are scheduled.

Personnel for the runoffs will be announced when the official results are announced—around 9 p.m.

No runoffs will be held for the Student Senate and Election Commission posts, with the person capturing the largest number of votes taking the decision.

There will also be no runoff for the lone upperclassman Student Senate post.

Members of the Election Commission worked in one-hour shifts during voting hours to insure a free flow of voters and to provide instruction for freshmen in the use of the voting machines.

These Are Candidates

The following is the list of candidates voted on today in the freshman elections:

President: R. C. Balfour, Paul A. Dresser, Gilbert Forehand, Larry Burgoon, Howard M. Head, H. Gary Jernigan, Gary L. Doerre, Frank R. Kiolbosse, Mike L. Lutich, George L. McWilliams, David L. Minoldi, Bill K. Monier, Harlow Rawls and Mouse Steen.

Vice President: Ted Bernard, Jim C. Carter, Robert L. Cates, Dennis Christian, Mike C. Dodge, Eddie S. Duncan, John W. Hull, Russell D. Jasek, Bobbie R. Lowell, Vic Mitchell, Zorro Petrazio, Eddie Pickett, Louis A. Shone, Jerry E. Simpton, Ronald L. Sperberg, Dick Stengel and Monny Zerbe.

Secretary-Treasurer: Sam W. Blisgame, Macky L. Brittain, Tom H. Fergus, Robbie L. Gallaway, Daniel L. Galvin, Butch H. Johnson, Royce M. Knox, Greg H. Laughlin, Bruce P. Maxwell, James R. Spurger, Charles R. Sullivan and Shelly Veselka.

Social Secretary: Mac G. Cook, Gene E. Latham, George J. Leskar, Jess Mayfield and William C. Sturgeon.

Student Senate: Robert A. Adams, Jim M. Butler, Warren M. Dillard, Charles R. Graham, Rick Heibel, Bob S. Hawkins, Russell R. Huddleston, Michell E. Keeling, Jerry B. Kieschick, James G. Kinsen, John M. Kirk, Duane Long, Hershel J. Martin, Thomas Meadows, Jackie F. Nicholson, Ken A.

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Leading Scorers In UofH Victory



Carroll Broussard (54) Goes High For Bucket
... two of 20 totaled by versatile forward



Don Stanley (44) Chalks Up Score
... also hit 20 against Cougars

AT CONSOLIDATED

'Our Town' Presentation Begins Thursday Night

By RUSSELL BROWN

Thornton Wilder's production of "Our Town" will be presented Thursday and Friday nights in the A&M Consolidated High School Auditorium by the 1961 Senior Class. Curtain time will be 8 p.m.

This widely acclaimed play is unique in itself since Wilder chooses to leave his stage almost completely void of scenery and uses a visible stage manager.

The stage manager is used by Wilder to set the mood, to outline the actions of the characters and to present the author's interpretation and his feelings on the matter of life and death. The characters themselves have no props, leaving the action and the thoughts of the plot strictly to the audience's imagination.

"Our Town" is a three-act play production concerning the life of a small New England town, Grover's Corners, N. H. Wilder looks into the lives of two of the leading families of the small town, the town doctor and the editor of the Grover's Corners Sentinel.

The first act deals primarily with a day in Grover's Corners, the daily happenings and moods of the New England time around the turn of the century. Wilder introduces love and marriage in the second act and caps the production with a stirring third act.

Ticket Sale

Tickets are now on sale from any Consolidated senior or from the school office. Student admission is 50 cents and adults are 75 cents.

Anyone that would be willing to lend a black umbrella to the senior class for the production would please contact either the school office or Mrs. Ermine Worrell.

Approximately 15 are needed for the Thursday and Friday night performances.

Returning Date Now Official; It's January 3

An official change in the Christmas recess was announced yesterday by H. L. Heaton, director of admissions and registrar. The return date has been moved up one day, from 8 a.m. Jan. 2 to 8 a.m. on Jan. 3.

"We decided to make this change because of the greater danger involved for students driving back to school on Sunday, Jan. 1," said Heaton.

"We also felt that the boys would like to spend New Year's day at home instead of on the highways."